



PRESS RELEASE

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Bloem Show – 26th of April to 5th of May 2018 – highlights

Get your calendars ready and start planning special fun and family days in April and May!

Make sure you have the date of this year's Bloem Show! This exciting event will take place from **26 April to 5 May 2018** in Bloemfontein and a jam-packed 10-day programme is planned.

We are looking forward to once again entertaining visitors with a variety of exhibitors, artists and agricultural activities. The theme for next year's Bloem Show is Monsters & Mascots.

Annually, more than 100 000 people visit Bloem Show, one of the highlights on the social and agricultural calendar in Central South Africa. This showpiece event attracts customers and visitors from around the country, as well as an average of 450 local, national and international exhibitors – a wonderful economic injection for our region.

SPECIAL RATES AT BLOEM SHOW

Admission

Admission	R 80
Children under 12 yrs	R 30
Pensioners	R 30
Children under 6 yrs	FREE

R5 discount on admission at OVK Gate 10 (via Monument Road)



***Parents with children under 6 years can purchase a name armband at the gate for R2, where the child's name and contact number can be placed.*

Schools that plan to visit Bloem Show in groups, must please note that prior registration is required for a visit to the show. NO school groups will be allowed entry without prior reservation. Please contact the Bloem Show office for assistance.

Visitors are reminded that NO fire arms will be allowed when entering the Bloem Show. Unfortunately no liquor or pets will be allowed either.

The following SPECIALS apply for the 2018 Bloem Show.

To add extra value the following specials apply for the 2018 Bloem Show.

Early bird specials valid until 25 April 2018 at Computicket stores or online!

- **Get your Bloem Show ticket at R10 discount.** (2 & 3 May excluded)
- **Fun Fair tickets for discount**
R300 for **40** tokens, normal prices R300 for 30 tokens, 25% discount
R600 for **120** tokens, normal prices R600 for 60 tokens, 50% discount

Other special offers during Bloem Show.

- **Wednesday, 2 May 2018 AND Thursday 03 May 2018– Fun fair special & Half Price days**
 - Fun Fair R150 for unlimited rides till 20h00
 - Gate Admission R 40
Children under 12 yrs / pensioners R 15
- **Monday 30 April 2018 –**
 - month–end exhibitor discount and specials

Gates open for entry between 08h00-20h00, except Sunday till 08h00-17h00

Exhibition halls - trading hours:

Daily	10h00 – 20h00
Sunday, 29 April 2018	10h00 – 17h00

The show grounds and activities close at 22:00, except on public holidays, Fridays and Saturdays it closes at 23:00. On Sunday the show grounds will close at 19:00.

ENTERTAINMENT HIGHLIGHTS

This year Bloem Show has made particular effort to bring a wide range of artists to Bloemfontein. The highlights of the main entertainment program are as follows:



Thursday, 26 April 2018 - Miss. Windmill Bloem Show and Miss Teen Bloem Show with Lloyd Cele as guest artist (19:00-21:00)

Friday, 27 April 2018 – “Klikkerland” (10:00), Child welfare puppet show (11:00 Cell C stage), Little Red Riding hood, (12:00) Babalela (16:00) Little Miss Bloem Show & Little Miss Daisy (18;00-19:00); Caprivi Camp in conjunction with Dept of SACR (19:30 Cell C stage)

Saturday, 28 April 2018 – Bloem Classic 2018 (Bodybuilding competition) (17:00-22:00), Talent Search semi Finals (16:00-18:30 – Cell C Stage), Brian Capper motorbike stunts (10:00 & 13:00, Cell C stage)

Sunday, 29 April 2018 – Soweto String Quartet in conjunction with OFM (12:00 & 15:00), Con Grazia (13:30,) Buster & Bella (13:30, Cell C Stage), Brian Capper motorbike stunts (12:30 & 15:30, Cell C Stage)

Monday, 30 April 2018– Lolloos in conjunction with Radio Rosestad (10:00), Jakkie & LeRoux cook and make music presented by Radio Rosestad (12:00), Computicket “Talent Search” Final (Cell C Stage 18:00-20:00), Jakkie Louw & band in conjunction with Radio Rosestad (19:00), Moneynyce in conjunction with Dept of SACR (20:00, Cell C stage)

Tuesday, 1 May 2018 – Dance extravaganza by dancing schools (10:00-17:30), Freshlyground in conjunction with OFM & PWC (19:00)

Wednesday, 2 May 2018– Jo Black in conjunction with OFM & PWC (19:30), Black Irie (18:00)

Thursday, 3 May 2018 – Snotkop in conjunction with OFM (19:00)

Friday, 4 May 2018 – Brian Capper motorbike stunts (13:00 & 17:00, Cell C Stage) Oval Track Racing (19:30 – 23:00), André, the hilarious hypnotist (18:30), Radi in conjunction with Dept of SACR (20:30)

Saturday, 5 May 2018 – Brian Capper motorbike stunts (13:00 & 17:00, Cell C Stage) Monster truck show in conjunction with OFM (17:00, Vertical Signs arena), Monster ride along (12:30 – 21:00, Vertical Signs arena), Beauty & the Beast (Caroline & Fatman) (18:30 Cell C stage), SANDF Kroonstad band (18:00), Major League (19:30) & Nokwazi in conjunction with Mangaung Metro Municipality (20:30)

**Access to artists’ performances is free once admission at the gate has been paid.

Several **emerging artists** will also be performing at this year at Bloem Show, there is also a variety of other activities and highlight.

- 4x4 Obstacle Course SANDF demonstrations – 11:00 on 27/28/30 April & 1/4 May
- Military Exhibitions by SANDF – from main gate 2, demonstrations & exhibitions
- SAPS (police) exhibition in Cosmos hall. Takalani Sesame and Benji, the service dog, is part of the exhibition.
- Kiddies area by Bloem Fun Centre – back of Tulip hall, join in this kiddies play area and you have the option of –kiddies-care too! R40/hour, 3-13years, kiosk, minion jumping castle, trampolines, Princess castle, pirate ship etc.
- Wool bale carrying competition – 26 April 2018, BKB small stock complex – 13:00
- Butter making demonstration- @Farm stall on 29 April (10:00 & 12:00), 30 April (14:00 & 16:00) and 1 May (10:00 & 12:00) by Udder Delight
- “String cheese” making demonstration- @Farm stall on 29 April (11:00), 30 April (15:00) and 1 May (11:00) by Udder Delight
- National Jack Russell show – 28 April 2018, Main cattle ring – 10:00
- National Greyhound show – 27 April 2018, Main cattle ring – 10:00



- Farm Stall exhibition daily, Shearing demonstrations 30 April – 4 May 2018 (10:00 – 16:00), Knitting demo on 27 April & 2 May from 10h00-15h00, Cupcake demo and decorating for kids on 1 May (10:00)
- Fun fair - buy tickets TILL 25 April 2018, 17:00 @ 25% or @ 50% discount, www.computicket.co.za, [open 10:00 daily](#)
- "OVK Back to Back" - Shearing, spinning & knitting marathon on 28 April 2018, (09:00 – 15:00)
- Dairy Product Show – Applications close 28 February 2018 for various dairy products entries
- Creative Crafts Section – the largest in SA, ± 2949 entries. Applications close 28 March 2018. Demonstrations: Bobbin lace – 27 & 28 April & 1 & 5 May (10h00-15h00), Knitting – 1 May (10h00-15h00).
- Vodacom train – routes around the showground. Tickets @ R10 each, includes free ice-cream, 10:00-16:00
- The Ark - wild birds, chickens, cage-birds, fancy pigeons, rabbit farming, Mangaung Fire brigade, SA Armour museum & model train exhibition.

100 000+ visitors, over 10 days with about 350 exhibitors in exhibition halls and outdoor areas.

Come and enjoy an unforgettable show from the **26th of April to 5th of May** at Bloem Show Grounds. Visit www.bloemshow.co.za for more information.

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